

## ABSTRACT

### TUBULAR FABRIC AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

- 5 The present invention relates to a tubular fabric for receiving an underwire in a garment such as a bra. The tubular fabric is formed by arranging a fusible yarn, such as Grilon®, and melting said yarn to form a barrier, which exhibits excellent resistance to penetration by underwires.
- 10 Preferably the fabric does not include an elastomeric yarn and is treated to impart stretch to the fabric in the length direction.